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### **HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION**

#### **Monday, September 8, 2014**

#### **Minutes of the Meeting**

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by Sue Stack, Chairman at 6:03 P.M.

**PRESENT:** Yale Cantor, Sue Stack, Helen Filloramo, Teresa Cavanagh, Sue Hannigan, Richard Petrucci, Hocine Baouche..

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Motioned (S. Hannigan), Seconded (R. Petrucci) and passed by those present to accept the minutes of the June 9, 2014 meeting.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT:** The first edition of the Maple Street Monthly (Senior Center newsletter) came out in August. The next one comes out September 15. The newsletter is put out at no cost to the Senior Center (due to sponsor ads) and keeps people up to date on Senior Center programs and happenings. There is also a new website for the Senior Center.

Energy program begins tomorrow (September 9) and there will be new guidelines this year. It is now required that the billing statement be in at least one household member's name. Applicants will get their first delivery, but none after that if they do not comply with the new guidelines. The Access Agency sent a check for processing energy applications and this money will go into the Fuel Bank.

There will be a Flu Shot Clinic on October 23 at the Senior Center from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. and the cost for a flu shot will be \$35.00.

The Dance Party at the Senior Center in August was a huge success with 104 seniors attending from Ellington, Enfield, Agawam, Wilbraham and Springfield. There will be two more dance parties coming up – one in October and one with a New Year's theme in December.

Youth Services is waiting to hear on the status of the Drug Free Community Grant for \$125,000. Other drug grants have ended, which has had an effect on staffing the high school drug counselor and the informational bags that Youth Services has passed out to the community in the past. Waiting to hear about a second grant in January.

Arbor Commons Building Expansion Update: The Human Services Commission was brought on an official tour of the new Arbor Commons Building. All departments have moved back into the building and are settling into their new spaces. They are still waiting on some office furniture.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** The Senior Center kitchen was certified this month. On September 16 the first breakfast will be served and the cost will be \$3. There will be one breakfast and two lunches served per week. There is hope of having a “Kitchen Shower” where a wish list of items still needed for the kitchen is provided and individuals can sign up to bring these for donation.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Interviews for Senior Center van drivers were held and two new drivers have been hired – 1 replacement driver and 1 permanent substitute driver.

The Human Services Commission is looking for an 8<sup>th</sup> member.

Sue Stack asked for an update concerning the fencing and handicapped parking at the Senior Center. Public Works and building officials will be contacted about this issue.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motioned (S. Stack), Seconded (S. Hannigan) and passed by all those present to adjourn at 7:12 P.M.

Submitted by,

Teresa Cavanagh  
Secretary